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### **Husband convicted of second-degree murder in wife's disappearance**

**LOS ANGELES** – The 59-year-old husband of a woman who went missing in February 2009 and whose body has never been found was convicted today of second-degree murder, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Lyle Stanford Herring Sr. showed no emotion when the jury of eight women and four men returned their verdict after deliberating about five hours.

Deputy District Attorneys Pak Kouch and Sam Hulefeld with the Family Violence Division prosecuted the case.

Herring's wife, Lesley, has not been seen since Feb. 7, 2009. Her sister, actress Aasha Davis, reported Lesley missing in March 2009. Herring, who once worked as a recruiter for California State University Northridge, became a suspect early in LAPD's investigation.

During closing arguments, Kouch argued that Herring murdered his wife and told a family member, "I will burn in hell for what I did."

Herring faces 15 years to life in prison when he returns June 7 for sentencing before Judge Ronald S. Coen.

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